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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:
K. Horio, et al.

Serial No.: 10/691,560

Art Unit: 1634

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Examiner: J. Goldberg

For: Method And Apparatus For Analyzing A Base Sequence

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 121

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Responsive to the restriction requirement mailed December 2, 2005, in the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby elect without traverse Group II, Claims 14-25, drawn to an apparatus.

It is respectfully submitted that the above is fully responsive to the outstanding Restriction Requirement. Further, it is respectfully submitted that this application is now in condition for examination on the merits and early action and allowance thereof is accordingly respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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